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In re Application of :
Hansen et al. :
Application No. 10/776,661 :
Filed: February 10, 2004 :
Attorney Docket No. 13569.0099US01 :

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.10(d), filed September 20, 2005, requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of February 10, 2004, rather than the presently accorded filing date of February 9, 2004.

Petitioner asserted that petitioner deposited the above-identified application with the USPS using "Express Mail Service" on February 10, 2004. In support of the allegation, the petition is accompanied by a United States Postal Service Track & Confirm receipt, indicating that the USPS accepted a package bearing Express Mail label No. EV407363544US on February 10, 2004, at 7:25 PM, in Minneapolis, MN 55401. The same Express Mail label number was placed on the original application papers located in the official file.

Accordingly, the petition is **granted**.

The Office of Initial Patent Examination is directed to correct the filing date of the above-identified application to February 10, 2004, and to mail a corrected filing receipt.

Telephone inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3211.

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